Mr & Mrs R Hambridge 30 Charnwood Avenue Westone Northampton NN3 3DU

9th December 2010

John Birch Northampton Borough Council Guildhall St Giles Square NN1 1DE



Dear Mr Birch

I am writing to inform you of my feelings in regards to an application for a licence to sell alcohol on the premises of 23 Charnwood Avenue, Westone, Northampton NN3 3DX.

Both I and many of my fellow residents of the estate of Westone strongly object to a general store being opened at the aforementioned address and list our grievances thusly.

Several years ago on premises next door to the address in question, we had a store that filled much of the same function, including a license to sell alcohol. Being in close proximity to a school, the existence of this store encouraged several instances of anti-social behaviour during and after school hours. This resulted in many complaints being made to the school trying to prevent repeat occurrences, where the students would sit on walls, litter in peoples gardens and be abusive towards residents of the estate, the majority of which are elderly pensioners. We believe that the return of such behaviour.

Our next dispute with this is the hours requested for the alcohol license. With a store open till the hours of 11pm selling alcohol, youths will congregate encouraging anti-social behaviour, with drunk and potential violent outbursts, as well as noise disturbances, especially to 4 flats which sit either side of the address. Against such behaving groups, residents feel unable to confront them in regards to littering and walking through their gardens, but would fear having to go out in their presence and under their watch. This could lead to houses being broken into where groups have witnessed residents leave and know the houses to be empty.

In the estate above us is a Co-op store open till late, which has an alcohol license and is a convenience store, more than within range to the residents of Westone. Our estate also backs on to Weston Favell Shopping Centre, which, excluding weekends, is open 24 hours a day also possessing an alcohol license. We believe that these 2 facilities provide more than adequate coverage for our needs and are better suited to such a store.

Attached to this letter is a list of residents of the Weston estate and there address who object to the application for an alcohol license at 23 Charnwood Avenue. Please take our grievances into consideration, and at the very least, if you agree to grant the requested application, please restrict the hours of the license to a more respectable hour, around 7pm, as we believe the late hour combined with alcohol purchase and no doubt consumption will be very detrimental to the estate.

I eagerly await your response

Sincerely

Mr & Mrs R Hambridge

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A few incidence neighbours wanted me to list

Eggs thrown at windows

Stones thrown at windows Police involved

Two youths running over top of cars

My own car broken into

Garages broken into

Several walls pushed over .

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